

by Theorem 3.10, $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ (and hence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$) has a subsequence $(z_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ which converges to some $M \in \mathbb{R}$. Since $|z_n - L| \geq \varepsilon \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, $M \neq L$. Thus, M and L are 2 distinct subsequential limits of $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$.

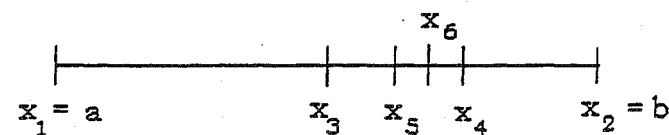
4. \mathbb{R} since $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ is dense in \mathbb{R} (Exercise 2.3.4).
5. $\{\frac{1}{n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \cup \{1 + \frac{1}{n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \cup \{2 + \frac{1}{n}\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ has 0, 1, and 2 as accumulation points.
6. We have $A \subset \mathbb{R}$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Suppose $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a sequence of distinct points in A with $x_n \rightarrow x$, and let U be a neighborhood of x . Since $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is eventually in U , $U \cap A$ is infinite, and so x is an accumulation point of A by Proposition 3.4.
Now suppose that x is an accumulation point of A . By Proposition 3.4, $(x - \frac{1}{n}, x + \frac{1}{n}) \cap A$ is infinite $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. Choose $x_1 \in (x - 1, x + 1) \cap A$; choose $x_2 \in (x - \frac{1}{2}, x + \frac{1}{2}) \cap A$ with $x_2 \neq x_1$; choose $x_3 \in (x - \frac{1}{3}, x + \frac{1}{3}) \cap A$ with $x_3 \notin \{x_1, x_2\}$; etc. Then $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a sequence of distinct points in A and $x_n \rightarrow x$.
7. Since x is an isolated point of A , \exists a neighborhood V of x such that $V \cap A = \{x\}$. If $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a sequence in A which converges to x , then $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ must eventually be in $V \cap A$. Therefore, $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ must eventually be the constant x .
8. Let $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a strictly increasing sequence in \mathbb{Q} which converges to $\sqrt{2}$. (Such a sequence exists since \mathbb{Q} is dense in \mathbb{R} .) Then $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a bounded infinite subset of \mathbb{Q} whose only accumulation point is $\sqrt{2}$.

3.6 Cauchy Sequences

1. (a) $(\frac{1}{n})_{n=2}^{\infty}$, or any sequence in $(0, 1)$ which converges to 0 or 1.
(b) By Theorem 3.12, a Cauchy sequence in $[0, 1]$ must converge to a real number, say x . By Theorem 3.3, $x \in [0, 1]$.
2. (a) By Exercise 3.4.4, $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ does not converge. By Theorem 3.12, $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is not Cauchy.
(b) $|x_{n+1} - x_n| = \frac{1}{n+1} \rightarrow 0$.

3. Let $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a Cauchy sequence in \mathbb{Z} , and let $\varepsilon = 1$. By Definition 3.11, $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n, m \geq n_0 \Rightarrow |x_n - x_m| < 1$. Since x_n and x_m are integers, $n, m \geq n_0 \Rightarrow x_n - x_m = 0$ or $x_n = x_m$. Hence, $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is eventually constant.

Since an eventually constant sequence is Cauchy, a sequence in \mathbb{Z} converges \iff it is Cauchy (since $\mathbb{Z} \subset \mathbb{R}$) \iff it is eventually constant. Thus, a convergent sequence in \mathbb{Z} must converge to an integer.

4. (a) Let $L = b - a$.
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- (b) $|x_2 - x_1| = L = \frac{L}{2^0}$. Let $k \geq 1$ and assume $|x_{k+1} - x_k| = \frac{L}{2^{k-1}}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} |x_{k+2} - x_{k+1}| &= \left| \frac{x_{k+1} + x_k}{2} - x_{k+1} \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} |x_k - x_{k+1}| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{L}{2^{k-1}} = \frac{L}{2^k}. \end{aligned}$$

By induction, $|x_{n+1} - x_n| = \frac{L}{2^{n-1}} \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

- (c) For $m > n$,

$$\begin{aligned} |x_m - x_n| &\leq |x_m - x_{m-1}| + |x_{m-1} - x_{m-2}| + \cdots + |x_{n+1} - x_n| \\ &= \frac{L}{2^{m-2}} + \frac{L}{2^{m-3}} + \cdots + \frac{L}{2^{n-1}} \\ &= \frac{L}{2^{n-1}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \cdots + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{m-n-1} \right) \\ &= \frac{L}{2^{n-1}} \cdot \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{m-n}}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \frac{L}{2^{n-2}} \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{m-n} \right) \\ &< \frac{L}{2^{n-2}}. \end{aligned}$$

(d) Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Since $\frac{L}{2^{n-2}} \rightarrow 0$, $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow \frac{L}{2^{n-2}} < \varepsilon$.

Let $n, m \geq n_0$. If $m > n$, then $|x_m - x_n| < \frac{L}{2^{n-2}} < \varepsilon$; while if $n > m$, then $|x_m - x_n| < \frac{L}{2^{m-2}} < \varepsilon$. Therefore, $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is Cauchy.

5. (a) From Exercise 4(b), $|x_{2k+2} - x_{2k+1}| = \frac{L}{2^{2k}}$. From the picture in Exercise 4(a), it is clear that $x_{2k+2} > x_{2k+1} \forall k$, and so we can remove the absolute value. To show this by induction, assume $x_{2k+2} > x_{2k+1}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} x_{2k+4} - x_{2k+3} &= \frac{x_{2k+3} + x_{2k+2}}{2} - x_{2k+3} \\ &= \frac{x_{2k+2} - x_{2k+3}}{2} \\ &= \frac{x_{2k+2} - \frac{x_{2k+2} + x_{2k+1}}{2}}{2} \\ &= \frac{x_{2k+2} - x_{2k+1}}{4} > 0 \end{aligned}$$

by the induction hypothesis.

- (b) For $n = 1$, $x_3 = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} = \frac{a+b}{2} = \frac{a+a+L}{2} = a + \frac{L}{2}$. Let $k \geq 1$ and assume $x_{2k+1} = a + \frac{L}{2} + \frac{L}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{L}{2^{2k-1}}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} x_{2k+3} &= \frac{x_{2k+2} + x_{2k+1}}{2} = \frac{x_{2k+1} + \frac{L}{2^{2k}} + x_{2k+1}}{2} \quad (\text{by (a)}) \\ &= x_{2k+1} + \frac{L}{2^{2k+1}} \\ &= a + \frac{L}{2} + \frac{L}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{L}{2^{2k-1}} + \frac{L}{2^{2k+1}} \end{aligned}$$

by the induction hypothesis. By induction, x_{2n+1} has the desired form $\forall n \geq 1$.

- (c) $x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{2n+1}$ since $(x_{2n+1})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a subsequence of $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$. From (b)

$$\begin{aligned} x_{2n+1} &= a + \frac{L}{2} + \frac{L}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{L}{2^{2n-1}} \\ &= a + \frac{L}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{4} + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{n-1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= a + \frac{L}{2} \cdot \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n}{1 - \frac{1}{4}} \\
&= a + \frac{2}{3}L \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^n\right) \\
&\rightarrow a + \frac{2}{3}L \\
&= a + \frac{2}{3}(b-a) = \frac{1}{3}a + \frac{2}{3}b.
\end{aligned}$$

6. First note that

$$\begin{aligned}
|x_{n+2} - x_{n+1}| &\leq r |x_{n+1} - x_n| \\
&\leq r^2 |x_n - x_{n-1}| \\
&\leq r^3 |x_{n-1} - x_{n-2}| \\
&\leq \dots \leq r^n |x_2 - x_1|.
\end{aligned}$$

Note that the exponent on r is $n+1$ minus the smaller subscript to its right. (This also follows by induction.)

For $m > n$,

$$\begin{aligned}
|x_m - x_n| &\leq |x_m - x_{m-1}| + |x_{m-1} - x_{m-2}| + \dots + |x_{n+1} - x_n| \\
&\leq (r^{m-2} + r^{m-3} + \dots + r^{n-1}) |x_2 - x_1| \\
&= r^{n-1} (1 + r + r^2 + \dots + r^{m-n-1}) |x_2 - x_1| \\
&= r^{n-1} \left(\frac{1 - r^{m-n}}{1 - r} \right) |x_2 - x_1| \\
&\leq \frac{r^{n-1}}{1 - r} |x_2 - x_1| \xrightarrow{n} 0.
\end{aligned}$$

As in Example 3.23 or Exercise 4(d), it follows that $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is Cauchy.

7. First note that $x_n > 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

(a) $|x_{n+2} - x_{n+1}| = \frac{|x_{n+1} - x_n|}{(2 + x_{n+1})(2 + x_n)} \leq \frac{1}{4} |x_{n+1} - x_n|$. Thus, the r of Exercise 6 is $\frac{1}{4}$ and so $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is Cauchy.

- (b) By Theorem 3.12, $x_n \rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R}$. Note that $x \geq 0$ since each $x_n > 0$. Then

$$x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2 + x_n} = \frac{1}{2 + x},$$

and so $x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$ or $x = -1 \pm \sqrt{2}$ by the quadratic formula. Since $x \geq 0$, $x = -1 + \sqrt{2}$.

3.7 Limits at Infinity

1. Let $\alpha > 0$ and $\beta < 0$.

- (a) Since \mathbb{N} is unbounded above, $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n_0 > \alpha^2$. Then $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{n} \geq \sqrt{n_0} > \alpha$.

- (b) Choose $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n_0 > \alpha^2$. Then $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow$

$$\frac{\sqrt{n^2 + 1}}{\sqrt{n}} = \sqrt{n + \frac{1}{n}} > \sqrt{n} \geq \sqrt{n_0} > \alpha.$$

- (c) Choose $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n_0 > 6 + \alpha$. Then $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow$

$$n^2 - 6n + 1 > n(n - 6) \geq n - 6 \geq n_0 - 6 > \alpha.$$

- (d) Choose $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n_0 > (6 + \alpha)^2$. Then $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow$

$$n - 6\sqrt{n} = \sqrt{n}(\sqrt{n} - 6) \geq \sqrt{n} - 6 \geq \sqrt{n_0} - 6 > 6 + \alpha - 6 = \alpha.$$

- (e) Choose $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n_0 > 7 + \beta^2$. Then $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow$

$$\sqrt{n - 7} \geq \sqrt{n_0 - 7} > \sqrt{\beta^2} = -\beta$$

and so $-\sqrt{n - 7} < \beta$.

- (f) Choose $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ with $n_0 > -\beta + 1$. Then $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow n - 1 \geq n_0 - 1 > -\beta$ and so $-n + \sin n \leq -n + 1 = -(n - 1) < \beta$.

2. (a) Let $x_n \rightarrow \infty$ and let $\beta < 0$. Choose $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow x_n > -\beta$. Then $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow -x_n < \beta$, and so $-x_n \rightarrow -\infty$. Now let $-x_n \rightarrow -\infty$ and let $\alpha > 0$. Choose $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow -x_n < -\alpha$. Then $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow x_n > \alpha$, and so $x_n \rightarrow \infty$. (This also follows from Theorem 3.14, part 4, by using a constant sequence of -1 .)

(b) If $x_n \rightarrow 0$ and $\alpha > 0$, choose $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow x_n < \frac{1}{\alpha}$. Then $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x_n} > \alpha$ and so $\frac{1}{x_n} \rightarrow \infty$. If $\frac{1}{x_n} \rightarrow \infty$ and $\varepsilon > 0$, choose $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x_n} > \frac{1}{\varepsilon}$. Then $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow x_n < \varepsilon$ and so $x_n \rightarrow 0$.

3. (a) If $x_n \rightarrow -\infty$ and $\alpha > 0$, then $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is eventually in $(-\infty, -\alpha)$. Hence, $(|x_n|)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is eventually in (α, ∞) and so $|x_n| \rightarrow \infty$. If $|x_n| \rightarrow \infty$ and $\beta < 0$, then $(|x_n|)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is eventually in $(-\beta, \infty)$. Since $|x_n| = -x_n \forall n$, $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is eventually in $(-\infty, \beta)$.

(b) Let $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} = (1, -2, 3, -4, 5, -6, \dots) = ((-1)^{n+1} n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$.

4. Proof of 1. Let $\alpha > 0$. Case 1: $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Since $x_n \rightarrow x$, $\exists n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq n_1 \Rightarrow x_n > x - 1$. Since $y_n \rightarrow \infty$, $\exists n_2 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq n_2 \Rightarrow y_n > \alpha - (x - 1)$. Then $n \geq \max\{n_1, n_2\} \Rightarrow x_n + y_n > (x - 1) + \alpha - (x - 1) = \alpha$, and so $x_n + y_n \rightarrow \infty$.

Case 2: $x = \infty$. Since $x_n \rightarrow \infty$ and $y_n \rightarrow \infty$, $\exists n_3$ and $n_4 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq n_3 \Rightarrow x_n > \frac{\alpha}{2}$ and $n \geq n_4 \Rightarrow y_n > \frac{\alpha}{2}$. Then $n \geq \max\{n_3, n_4\} \Rightarrow x_n + y_n > \alpha$, and so $x_n + y_n \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof of 2. Let $\beta < 0$. If $x \in \mathbb{R}$, then eventually $x_n < x + 1$ and $z_n < \beta - (x + 1)$. So eventually, $x_n + z_n < (x + 1) + \beta - (x + 1) = \beta$.

If $x = -\infty$, then eventually $x_n < \frac{\beta}{2}$ and $z_n < \frac{\beta}{2}$. So eventually, $x_n + z_n < \beta$.

Proof of 4. By Theorem 3.2 and Exercise 2(a), $-x_n \rightarrow -x$ where $0 < -x \leq \infty$. By part 3 of Theorem 3.14, $(-x_n)y_n \rightarrow \infty$ and $(-x_n)z_n \rightarrow -\infty$. By Exercise 2(a), $x_n y_n \rightarrow -\infty$ and $x_n z_n \rightarrow \infty$.

5. Since $|x_n| \rightarrow \infty$, we may assume $x_n \neq 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $\frac{1}{|x_n|} \rightarrow 0$

(Exercise 2(b)). Since $x_n y_n \rightarrow L \in \mathbb{R}$, $|y_n| = \frac{1}{|x_n|} |x_n y_n| \rightarrow 0 \cdot |L| = 0$ by Theorem 3.2.

6. Since $\frac{x_n}{y_n} \rightarrow L$, $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow \frac{L}{2} < \frac{x_n}{y_n} < \frac{3}{2}L$. Hence, $n \geq n_0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}Ly_n < x_n < \frac{3}{2}Ly_n$. If $x_n \rightarrow \infty$, then $\frac{3}{2}Ly_n \rightarrow \infty$; and since $\frac{3}{2}L > 0$, $y_n = \frac{2}{3L} \left(\frac{3}{2}Ly_n \right) \rightarrow \infty$. If $y_n \rightarrow \infty$, then $\frac{1}{2}Ly_n \rightarrow \infty$

since $\frac{1}{2}L > 0$, and so $x_n \rightarrow \infty$.

7. (a) Eventually, $\frac{x_n}{y_n} < 1$ or $x_n < y_n$.
 (b) If $y_n \leq B \ \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, then $0 < x_n = y_n \left(\frac{x_n}{y_n} \right) \leq B \left(\frac{x_n}{y_n} \right) \rightarrow 0$.
8. The subsequences constructed in Exercise 3.3.5 have the appropriate limits.
9. Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \neq \infty$ and $x_n > 0 \ \forall n$, $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a subsequence $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ which is bounded by Proposition 3.6. By Theorem 3.10 $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, and hence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, has a convergent subsequence.
10. For $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ or $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$ the result follows from Exercise 3.4.9. If $\alpha = \infty$, then A is unbounded above. So $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, choose $x_n \in A$ with $x_n > n$. Then $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a sequence in A and $x_n \rightarrow \infty$. By Theorem 3.9, $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a monotone subsequence $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ which has limit ∞ by Theorem 3.15, and which must be monotone increasing for otherwise $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n \leq y_1 < \infty$.
 If $\beta = -\infty$, then A is unbounded below. Hence, $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \exists x_n \in A$ with $x_n < -n$. Therefore, $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a sequence in A , $x_n \rightarrow -\infty$, and as above $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a monotone subsequence $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ with limit $-\infty$. This subsequence must be monotone decreasing for otherwise $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n \geq y_1 > -\infty$.
11. Let $\alpha = \sup A$.
 Case 1: $\alpha \in A$. Let $x_n = \alpha \ \forall n$. If $\alpha = -\infty$, then $A = \{-\infty\}$ and so $\alpha = -\infty$ falls into this case.
 Case 2: $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \setminus A$. Then $A \cap \mathbb{R}$ is nonempty and bounded above, so this follows from Exercise 3.4.9.
 Case 3: $\alpha = \infty \notin A$. This follows from Exercise 10 applied to $A \cap \mathbb{R}$.
 Let $\beta = \inf A$.
 Case 1: $\beta \in A$. Let $x_n = \beta \ \forall n$. Note that if $\beta = +\infty$, then $A = \{+\infty\}$ and so $\beta = +\infty$ falls into this case.
 Case 2: $\beta \in \mathbb{R} \setminus A$. Then $A \cap \mathbb{R}$ is nonempty and bounded below, so this follows from Exercise 3.4.9.
 Case 3: $\beta = -\infty \notin A$. This follows from Exercise 10 applied to $A \cap \mathbb{R}$.

3.8 Limit Superior and Limit Inferior

1. (a) $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} = ((-1)^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} = (-1, 1, -1, 1, \dots)$. So $\limsup x_n = 1$ (the largest subsequential limit is 1), and $\liminf x_n = -1$ (the smallest subsequential limit is -1).
 - (b) $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} = (-1, 2, -3, 4, -5, 6, \dots)$. So $\limsup x_n = \infty$ $[(2, 4, 6, \dots) \rightarrow \infty]$ and $\liminf x_n = -\infty$ $[(-1, -3, -5, \dots) \rightarrow -\infty]$.
 - (c) Since $1 + \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 1$, there are 2 subsequential limits, namely 1 (n even) and -1 (n odd). So $\limsup x_n = 1$ and $\liminf x_n = -1$.
 - (d) Since $-1 \leq \cos x \leq 1 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$, no subsequential limit can be outside the interval $[-1, 1]$. Since $(\cos 2n\pi)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to 1 and $(\cos(2n+1)\pi)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to -1 , $\limsup \cos(n\pi) = 1$ and $\liminf \cos(n\pi) = -1$.
 - (e) $(\sin \frac{n\pi}{2})_{n \in \mathbb{N}} = (1, 0, -1, 0, 1, 0, -1, 0, \dots)$ and $1 + \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 1$. So $\limsup x_n = 1$ and $\liminf x_n = -1$.
 - (f) Since $e^{-n} \rightarrow 0$, $\limsup x_n = \liminf x_n = 0$.
2. Any sequence with limit ∞ , for example $(n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$. That these are the only types of sequences in \mathbb{R} with limit inferior ∞ follows from Propositions 3.7 and 3.6 part 1.
3. Let $\beta = \liminf y_n$. If $\beta = \infty$, the result is clear; so assume $\beta < \infty$. Let $(y_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$ be a subsequence of $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $y_{n_k} \rightarrow \beta$. The corresponding subsequence $(x_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$ of $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a subsequence with limit in $\mathbb{R}^{\#}$. Since $x_{n_k} \leq y_{n_k} \forall k$, this limit must be $\leq \beta$. Therefore, $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a subsequential limit which is at most β , and so $\liminf x_n \leq \beta$ (because $\liminf x_n$ is the smallest subsequential limit of $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$).
 Let $\alpha = \limsup x_n$. If $\alpha = -\infty$, the result is clear; so assume $\alpha > -\infty$. Let $(x_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$ be a subsequence of $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $x_{n_k} \rightarrow \alpha$. The corresponding subsequence $(y_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$ of $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ has a subsequence with limit in $\mathbb{R}^{\#}$. Since $x_{n_k} \leq y_{n_k} \forall k$, this limit must be $\geq \alpha$, and so $\alpha \leq \limsup y_n$ (because $\limsup y_n$ is the largest subsequential limit of $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$).
4. The argument below mimics the proof of Proposition 3.8. Let $\alpha = \liminf a_n$, $\beta = \liminf b_n$, and $\gamma = \liminf (a_n + b_n)$. Since we want to show $\alpha + \beta \leq \gamma$, we may assume $\gamma \neq \infty$ and $\alpha + \beta \neq -\infty$.
 Since γ is a subsequential limit of $(a_n + b_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, \exists a subsequence $(a_{n_k} +$

$b_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$ of $(a_n + b_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ with $a_{n_k} + b_{n_k} \xrightarrow{k} \gamma$. The sequence $(a_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$ has a subsequence $(a_{n_{k_j}})_{j=1}^{\infty}$ with limit u in $\mathbb{R}^{\#}$ where $u > -\infty$ since $\alpha \neq -\infty$, and the sequence $(b_{n_k})_{k=1}^{\infty}$ has a subsequence $(b_{n_{k_j}})_{j=1}^{\infty}$ with limit v in $\mathbb{R}^{\#}$ where $v > -\infty$ since $\beta \neq -\infty$. Then $(a_{n_{k_j}} + b_{n_{k_j}})_{j=1}^{\infty} \xrightarrow{j} \gamma$ and $(a_{n_{k_j}} + b_{n_{k_j}})_{j=1}^{\infty} \xrightarrow{j} u + v$. By the uniqueness of limits, $\gamma = u + v$. Since α and β are the smallest subsequential limits of $(a_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $(b_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ respectively, $\alpha \leq u$ and $\beta \leq v$. Therefore, $\alpha + \beta \leq u + v = \gamma$.

5. Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Since $x_n \rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R}$, $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq n_0 + 1 \Rightarrow |x_n - x| < \varepsilon$. (We are using $n_0 + 1$ instead of n_0 for notational convenience below.) Following the hint, $n \geq n_0 + 1 \Rightarrow$

$$|y_n - x| \leq \frac{|x_1 - x| + |x_2 - x| + \cdots + |x_{n_0} - x|}{n} + \left(\frac{n - n_0}{n} \right) \varepsilon.$$

By Proposition 3.8,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \limsup |y_n - x| \\ &\leq \limsup \frac{|x_1 - x| + |x_2 - x| + \cdots + |x_{n_0} - x|}{n} + \limsup \left(\frac{n - n_0}{n} \right) \varepsilon \\ &= 0 + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n - n_0}{n} \right) \varepsilon \\ &= \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\varepsilon > 0$ is arbitrary, $0 \leq \liminf |y_n - x| \leq \limsup |y_n - x| = 0$; hence, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |y_n - x| = 0$ by Proposition 3.7. Therefore, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (y_n - x) = 0$ and so $y_n \rightarrow x$.

6. Let $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} = (0, 1, 0, 1, \dots)$. Since

$$y_n = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ \frac{\frac{n-1}{2}}{n} = \frac{n-1}{2n} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

$$y_n \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}.$$